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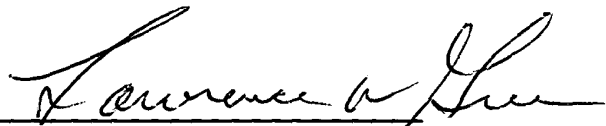
Please enter the foregoing amendment prior to calculating any fees, and prior to examination. By this amendment, Applicant is canceling claims 9-12 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant has added new claims 23-25. As a result claims 1-8 and 13-25 are pending for examination with claims 1, 13, 14, 17, 19, 21 and 22 being independent claims. No new matter has been added.

It is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendment places the claims in condition for allowance.

The examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney should he feel that such a telephone call would further the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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